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REMARKS**1.) Claim Amendments**

The Applicants have amended claims 1, 10, 12, 28, and 29; claims 2, 11, and 17-27 have been canceled; and claims 30-33 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-10, 12-16, and 28-32 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

2.) Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 112

In paragraphs 2-3 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 12, 19 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for being indefinite. Claims 12 and 28 have been amended to correct the § 112 problems. Claim 19 has been canceled. Therefore, the withdrawal of the rejection under § 112 for claims 12 and 28 is respectfully requested.

3.) Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

In paragraphs 4-5 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 4-6, 8, 10, 14, 16-18, 20-22, 24, and 27-29 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Haumont et al. (WO 00/01172). The Applicants have canceled claims 17-27 herein. The Applicants have amended the remaining claims to better distinguish the claimed invention from Haumont. The Examiner's consideration of the amended claims is respectfully requested.

Amended claim 1 recites a method of facilitating information interexchange between a telecommunications network serving a wireless communications device and an information service provider. The method includes the steps of maintaining in a Business-to-Business (B2B) engine, pre-configured rules associated with the wireless communications device; receiving in the B2B engine, realtime information associated with the wireless communications device from a network node associated with the telecommunications network; and determining from the pre-configured rules, whether any information services subscribed to by the wireless communications device can be

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provided by application modules in the B2B engine. Upon determining that at least one of the information services can be provided by the application modules in the B2B engine, the B2B engine provides the wireless communications device with information services provided by the application modules in the B2B engine in accordance with the realtime information. Upon determining that at least one of the information services subscribed to by the wireless communications device cannot be provided by the application modules in the B2B engine, the B2B engine provides the received realtime information to the information service provider. The information service provider then provides to the wireless communications device, information services in accordance with the realtime information.

Thus, the Applicants have amended claim 1 to recite a B2B engine that includes application modules that provide some information services to the wireless communication device. If the application modules cannot provide all of the services, the B2B engine forwards the realtime information to the information service provider to provide the remaining services. The Applicants respectfully submit that Haumont fails to disclose these features recited in amended claim 1. Basis for the amendment of claim 1 is found in the originally filed specification on page 25, lines 1-8. Therefore, the withdrawal of the rejection under § 102 and the allowance of amended claim 1 are respectfully requested.

Claims 3-9 and 28-31 depend from amended claim 1 and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of claim 1. Therefore, the allowance of claims 3-9 and 28-31 is respectfully requested.

Amended claim 10 is an apparatus claim corresponding to method claim 1. The apparatus includes various elements corresponding to the novel elements of amended claim 1, as discussed above. Therefore, the withdrawal of the rejection under § 102 and the allowance of amended claim 10 are respectfully requested for the same reasons as claim 1.

Claims 12-16 and 32 depend from amended claim 10 and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of claim 10. Therefore, the allowance of claims 12-16 and 32 is respectfully requested.

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4.) Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

In paragraphs 6-7 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 3, 13, and 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haumont in view of well known prior art. Claim 23 has been canceled. Regarding claims 3 and 13, however, the Applicants contend that the amendments to base claims 1 and 10 are also sufficient to overcome a § 103 rejection based on Haumont and known prior art. As noted above, Haumont fails to disclose or suggest a system or method in which a B2B engine includes application modules that provide some information services to the wireless communication device, and if the application modules cannot provide all of the services, the B2B engine forwards the realtime information to the information service provider to provide the remaining services. This feature is not known in the prior art. Therefore, the allowance of dependent claims 3 and 13 is respectfully requested.

In paragraph 8, the Examiner rejected claims 7 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haumont in view of Sonti et al. (US 6,108,540). Claims 7 and 15 depend from amended base claims 1 and 10, respectively, and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of the base claims. The Applicants contend that the amendments to base claims 1 and 10 are also sufficient to overcome a § 103 rejection based on Haumont and Sonti. As noted above, Haumont fails to disclose or suggest a system or method in which a B2B engine includes application modules that provide some information services to the wireless communication device, and if the application modules cannot provide all of the services, the B2B engine forwards the realtime information to the information service provider to provide the remaining services. This feature is likewise not taught or suggested by Sonti. Therefore, the allowance of dependent claims 7 and 15 is respectfully requested.

In paragraph 9, the Examiner rejected claims 9 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haumont in view of Jokela et al. (WO 99/45732). Claims 9 and 12 depend from amended base claims 1 and 10, respectively, and recite further limitations in combination with the novel elements of the base claims. The Applicants contend that the amendments to base claims 1 and 10 are also sufficient to overcome a § 103 rejection based on Haumont and Jokela. As noted above, Haumont fails to disclose or suggest a system or method in which a B2B engine includes application

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modules that provide some information services to the wireless communication device, and if the application modules cannot provide all of the services, the B2B engine forwards the realtime information to the information service provider to provide the remaining services. This feature is likewise not taught or suggested by Jokela. Therefore, the withdrawal of the rejection and the allowance of claims 9 and 12 is respectfully requested.

In paragraph 10, the Examiner rejected claims 19 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Haumont in view of Alvesalo (US 5,384,824). Claims 19 and 25 have been canceled.

5.) New Claim 33

New claim 33 recites an alternative embodiment of amended claim 1. Like claim 1, claim 33 recites a B2B engine that includes application modules that provide some information services to the wireless communication device. If the application modules cannot provide at least one of the services, the B2B engine forwards the realtime information to a content aggregator, which gathers information content from the plurality of information service providers, and forwards to the wireless communications device, content information prepared by the plurality of information service providers in accordance with the realtime information. Basis for new claim 33 is found in the originally filed specification on page 25, line 9 through page 26, line 5. Therefore, the allowance of claim 33 is respectfully requested.

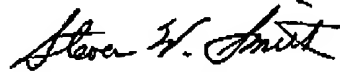
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants believe all of the claims currently pending in the Application to be in a condition for allowance. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and issue a Notice of Allowance for claims 1, 3-10, 12-16, and 28-33.

The Applicants request a telephonic interview if the Examiner has any questions or requires any additional information that would further or expedite the prosecution of the Application.

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